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Fri 6/19/2020 7:22 AM

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Name: Bert Otis

City: Emigrant

Dear Fish Wildlife & Parks Commission,

I support the W-Bar CE, now that I can see the cost, it looks like a fair price for what the public gets in the future. Hopefully some day, I will be able to get down there to enjoy it.

Thank you


Bert Otis

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[EXTERNAL] W-Bar Conservation Easement in Wibaux County



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Thu 6/18/2020 11:52 AM

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Hello Brandie,

Regarding the proposal to use Pittman-Robertson and Habitat Montana funds to purchase the W-Bar easement for the use of hunting, fishing and wildlife viewing: I strongly object to the sole use of funds obtained from the purchase of firearms, ammo and hunting licenses be used to support fishing and wildlife viewing, two groups who sometimes strongly object to hunting. Where is the contribution from Trout Unlimited, REI and the Sierra Club? As you know, the first thing the wildlife viewing group is going to try to do is stop the practice of hunting. Some in the fishing and viewing groups would also like to stop the practice of ranching, the activity that to date has provided the conservation.

I understand the W-Bar motivation, but let's be fair about the use of Pittman-Robertson and Habitat Montana funds. Those funds are supposed to be for conservation that supports hunting, not to benefit those who would oppose everything about Pittman-Robertson activities and purpose. If the state wants to obtain proportional funds from fishing / viewing groups, perfect, I'm on board. I would be in favor of using Habitat Montana and Pittman-Robertson funds to help W-Bar with rotational grazing in exchange for hunting rights.

Thank you,
Mary Anderson

http://fwp.mt.gov/news/newsReleases/fishAndWildlife/nr_1362.html


<http://fwp.mt.gov/news/publicNotices/conservationEasements/>

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 **RYANNOTTESTAD@GMAIL.COM**
To: Skone, Brandi

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Sat 6/6/2020 8:23 PM

Name: Ryan Nottestad
City: GLENDIVE
Please proceed with the purchase of the W Bar conservation easement. Eastern Montana needs more of these and this particular property allowing access to beaver creek and the riparian areas along it is definitely worth conserving.


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 **otisranch@wispwest.net**
To: Skone, Brandi

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Fri 5/29/2020 7:27 AM

Name: Bert Otis
City: Emigrant
Dear Fish Wildlife & Parks Commission,
I already commented that this CE looked good, but I didn't know the cost at that time. After seeing the cost, and the rest of the EA, I still think it looks good. One benefit I didn't look at the first time was the fishing aspect. That makes even better.
Good job on the management plan also.
Bert Otis

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